

**MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**  
**MISSOURI UNEMPLOYMENT RATES**  
**FOR METROPOLITAN AND MICROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS AND SINGLE-COUNTY LABOR MARKET AREAS (LMAs)**  
**CURRENT MONTH (DECEMBER 2025), PREVIOUS TWO MONTHS (NOVEMBER 2025 AND OCTOBER 2025) AND YEAR AGO (DECEMBER 2024)**

|                                    | DEC<br>2025 | NOV<br>2025 | OCT<br>2025 | DEC<br>2024 |                                  | DEC<br>2025 | NOV<br>2025 | OCT<br>2025 | DEC<br>2024 |
|------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| U.S. (not seasonally adjusted)     | 4.1         | 4.3         | -           | 3.8         | ROLLA (Phelps Co.)               | 3.1         | 3.3         | -           | 3.1         |
| MISSOURI (not seasonally adjusted) | 3.3         | 3.5         | -           | 3.2         | SEDALIA (Pettis Co.)             | 3.1         | 3.3         | -           | 3.0         |
| <b><u>METROPOLITAN AREAS</u></b>   |             |             |             |             | SIKESTON                         | 3.4         | 3.6         | -           | 3.4         |
| CAPE GIRARDEAU MSA                 | 3.0         | 3.1         | -           | 2.9         | Mississippi                      | 5.1         | 5.1         | -           | 5.2         |
| CAPE GIRARDEAU MSA (MO PT)         | 2.9         | 3.0         | -           | 2.7         | Scott                            | 3.1         | 3.3         | -           | 3.1         |
| Bollinger                          | 2.9         | 3.1         | -           | 3.0         | WARRENSBURG (Johnson Co.)        | 3.2         | 3.4         | -           | 3.1         |
| Cape Girardeau                     | 2.8         | 3.0         | -           | 2.7         | WEST PLAINS (Howell Co.)         | 3.7         | 4.0         | -           | 3.9         |
| COLUMBIA MSA                       | 2.6         | 2.9         | -           | 2.5         | QUINCY (MO PT - Lewis Co.)       | 4.2         | 4.1         | -           | 3.6         |
| Boone                              | 2.6         | 2.9         | -           | 2.5         | <b><u>SINGLE COUNTY LMAs</u></b> |             |             |             |             |
| Cooper                             | 2.9         | 3.0         | -           | 3.0         | Atchison                         | 2.4         | 2.7         | -           | 2.6         |
| Howard                             | 3.0         | 3.2         | -           | 2.9         | Barry                            | 3.6         | 3.8         | -           | 3.6         |
| JEFFERSON CITY MSA                 | 2.5         | 2.7         | -           | 2.6         | Barton                           | 3.3         | 3.3         | -           | 3.0         |
| Callaway                           | 2.6         | 2.7         | -           | 2.7         | Benton                           | 4.3         | 4.4         | -           | 4.6         |
| Cole                               | 2.5         | 2.7         | -           | 2.5         | Camden                           | 4.5         | 4.3         | -           | 4.6         |
| Moniteau                           | 2.4         | 2.6         | -           | 2.5         | Carroll                          | 3.6         | 3.4         | -           | 3.6         |
| Osage                              | 2.3         | 2.5         | -           | 2.4         | Carter                           | 3.9         | 4.1         | -           | 5.0         |
| JOPLIN MSA                         | 3.1         | 3.2         | -           | 3.1         | Cedar                            | 3.5         | 3.7         | -           | 3.5         |
| Jasper                             | 3.0         | 3.2         | -           | 3.1         | Chariton                         | 3.0         | 3.2         | -           | 3.5         |
| Newton                             | 3.2         | 3.3         | -           | 3.2         | Clark                            | 3.8         | 3.6         | -           | 3.4         |
| KANSAS CITY MSA                    | 3.5         | 3.7         | -           | 3.2         | Crawford                         | 3.6         | 3.8         | -           | 4.0         |
| KANSAS CITY MSA (MO PT)            | 3.5         | 3.9         | -           | 3.2         | Dade                             | 3.2         | 3.3         | -           | 3.1         |
| Bates                              | 3.0         | 3.3         | -           | 3.5         | Daviess                          | 2.8         | 3.0         | -           | 2.3         |
| Caldwell                           | 3.8         | 4.4         | -           | 3.1         | Dent                             | 3.3         | 3.4         | -           | 3.6         |
| Cass                               | 2.9         | 3.1         | -           | 2.9         | Douglas                          | 3.6         | 5.9         | -           | 3.7         |
| Clay                               | 3.6         | 4.2         | -           | 2.8         | Gasconade                        | 2.9         | 3.1         | -           | 2.8         |
| Clinton                            | 4.2         | 4.5         | -           | 3.1         | Gentry                           | 2.6         | 3.0         | -           | 2.8         |
| Jackson                            | 3.7         | 4.0         | -           | 3.5         | Grundy                           | 3.4         | 3.4         | -           | 3.0         |
| Lafayette                          | 3.4         | 3.6         | -           | 3.0         | Harrison                         | 3.0         | 3.1         | -           | 3.0         |
| Platte                             | 2.9         | 3.2         | -           | 2.8         | Henry                            | 3.1         | 3.2         | -           | 3.2         |
| Ray                                | 4.2         | 4.7         | -           | 3.2         | Hickory                          | 5.5         | 5.5         | -           | 6.3         |
| ST. JOSEPH MSA                     | 3.1         | 3.3         | -           | 3.2         | Holt                             | 2.9         | 3.3         | -           | 3.1         |
| ST. JOSEPH MSA (MO PT)             | 3.1         | 3.4         | -           | 3.2         | Iron                             | 4.1         | 4.3         | -           | 4.2         |
| Andrew                             | 2.7         | 2.9         | -           | 2.8         | Knox                             | 3.9         | 3.7         | -           | 4.1         |
| Buchanan                           | 3.2         | 3.4         | -           | 3.3         | Lawrence                         | 3.3         | 3.5         | -           | 3.1         |
| DeKalb                             | 3.2         | 3.6         | -           | 3.0         | Linn                             | 3.2         | 3.2         | -           | 3.4         |
| ST. LOUIS MSA                      | 3.5         | 3.5         | -           | 3.3         | Livingston                       | 2.9         | 3.0         | -           | 2.8         |
| ST. LOUIS MSA (MO PT)              | 3.2         | 3.3         | -           | 3.2         | Macon                            | 3.9         | 3.6         | -           | 3.9         |
| Franklin                           | 3.0         | 3.2         | -           | 3.1         | Madison                          | 3.9         | 4.0         | -           | 4.1         |
| Jefferson                          | 3.0         | 3.1         | -           | 3.0         | Maries                           | 2.9         | 3.1         | -           | 3.4         |
| Lincoln                            | 3.1         | 3.2         | -           | 2.9         | McDonald                         | 3.6         | 3.9         | -           | 4.0         |
| St. Charles                        | 2.7         | 2.8         | -           | 2.7         | Mercer                           | 3.4         | 3.8         | -           | 3.7         |
| St. Louis Co.                      | 3.3         | 3.5         | -           | 3.3         | Miller                           | 3.5         | 3.5         | -           | 3.5         |
| Warren                             | 3.0         | 3.0         | -           | 3.1         | Monroe                           | 3.3         | 3.4         | -           | 3.6         |
| St. Louis City                     | 3.7         | 3.9         | -           | 3.9         | Montgomery                       | 2.9         | 2.9         | -           | 3.1         |
| SPRINGFIELD MSA                    | 2.9         | 3.1         | -           | 2.9         | Morgan                           | 4.3         | 4.6         | -           | 4.5         |
| Christian                          | 2.7         | 2.8         | -           | 2.6         | New Madrid                       | 3.9         | 3.9         | -           | 4.3         |
| Dallas                             | 3.7         | 4.0         | -           | 4.1         | Oregon                           | 3.5         | 3.8         | -           | 3.8         |
| Greene                             | 2.9         | 3.1         | -           | 2.8         | Ozark                            | 6.2         | 6.3         | -           | 6.1         |
| Polk                               | 3.1         | 3.3         | -           | 3.3         | Pemiscot                         | 4.8         | 4.7         | -           | 5.0         |
| Webster                            | 3.0         | 3.3         | -           | 3.0         | Perry                            | 2.5         | 2.8         | -           | 2.6         |
| <b><u>MICROPOLITAN AREAS</u></b>   |             |             |             |             | Pike                             | 3.7         | 3.6         | -           | 3.3         |
| BRANSON (Taney Co.)                | 3.9         | 3.9         | -           | 3.9         | Putnam                           | 3.0         | 3.0         | -           | 3.3         |
| FARMINGTON (St. Francois Co.)      | 3.8         | 3.9         | -           | 4.0         | Reynolds                         | 4.0         | 4.6         | -           | 4.1         |
| FT. LEONARD WOOD (Pulaski Co.)     | 3.3         | 3.4         | -           | 3.1         | Ripley                           | 3.7         | 3.8         | -           | 4.1         |
| HANNIBAL                           | 3.3         | 3.3         | -           | 3.4         | St. Clair                        | 3.4         | 3.7         | -           | 3.6         |
| Marion                             | 3.3         | 3.4         | -           | 3.5         | Ste. Genevieve                   | 2.6         | 2.7         | -           | 3.0         |
| Ralls                              | 3.2         | 3.1         | -           | 3.3         | Scotland                         | 3.1         | 3.1         | -           | 2.2         |
| KENNETT (Dunklin Co.)              | 4.5         | 4.4         | -           | 4.9         | Shannon                          | 5.1         | 5.2         | -           | 5.2         |
| KIRKSVILLE                         | 3.6         | 3.8         | -           | 3.4         | Shelby                           | 2.7         | 2.9         | -           | 3.1         |
| Adair                              | 3.8         | 4.0         | -           | 3.4         | Stoddard                         | 3.4         | 3.6         | -           | 3.9         |
| Schuyler                           | 2.9         | 2.9         | -           | 3.6         | Stone                            | 4.2         | 4.1         | -           | 4.4         |
| LEBANON (Laclede Co.)              | 5.4         | 4.8         | -           | 4.7         | Sullivan                         | 3.4         | 3.3         | -           | 2.9         |
| MARSHALL (Saline Co.)              | 2.8         | 2.9         | -           | 2.5         | Texas                            | 3.6         | 3.9         | -           | 3.8         |
| MARYVILLE (Nodaway Co.)            | 2.3         | 2.5         | -           | 2.1         | Vernon                           | 3.0         | 3.3         | -           | 3.4         |
| MEXICO (Audrain Co.)               | 3.1         | 3.2         | -           | 2.9         | Washington                       | 4.0         | 3.9         | -           | 4.1         |
| MOBERLY (Randolph Co.)             | 3.0         | 3.1         | -           | 3.1         | Wayne                            | 5.1         | 5.2         | -           | 5.2         |
| POPLAR BLUFF (Butler Co.)          | 4.1         | 4.2         | -           | 4.3         | Worth                            | 2.7         | 2.9         | -           | 3.0         |
|                                    |             |             |             |             | Wright                           | 4.2         | 4.8         | -           | 4.5         |

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